

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending, by this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1, 5, and 9 are amended. Each of the independent claims now explicitly recites that the base station does not broadcast the authentication request information. This feature is not present in the Cropper reference.

According to Cropper, if the subscriber data is not found in the HLR database in this visiting wireless home network, the subscriber data request is broadcast to the HLRs of other wireless networks. Only the HLR of the home wireless network replies to the subscriber data request. As such, the explicitly recited limitation of not broadcasting the authentication request information is not present in Cropper because, as discussed above, Cropper broadcasts the subscriber data request.

Applicants respectfully submit that each of the pending claims is now in immediate condition for allowance.

Applicants have responded to all of the rejections and objections recited in the Office Action. Reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance for all of the pending claims are therefore respectfully requested.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

If the Examiner believes an interview would be of assistance, the Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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